

OUR TOWN

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Local Talent to Grace the Boards

Post's 'Radio Minstrel Show' Is
January 6th, 7th, 8th,
at Theatre.

FINE TALKIE ON BILL

Christmas is over and eyes are turned toward the New Year. Of course the first day will be appropriately observed everywhere, but Narberth will not end its celebration there. The Harold D. Speakman Post of the American Legion will be right on the job with an event of community importance almost immediately, for on the 6th, 7th and 8th of January they will literally "take over" the Narberth Theatre with an up-to-date "Radio Minstrel Show" and the well-known talkie, "The Cock-Eyed World."

It has been four or five years since enough of the ex-service men could arrange their trips to New York to conform to some sort of a rehearsal schedule so that they might put on a minstrel. Another reason is that George Shinn, who has graced the boards of lots of places besides Elm Hall, has been absent in the nearby metropolis, thus eliminating most of the inspiration and leadership. Now he is back—and how! He has the IT of minstrels so that he can make you laugh until you cry.

Clarence Long has been too busy with the Xmas mail to rehearse "Little Nellie Kelly," so that will be saved for a future occasion; and Doc Staley has not had time to refresh his memory on that story about the fellow who looked down a dog's throat while in search of the seat of his pants. But Shinn has developed new talent to take their places.

John Mowrer, erstwhile dignified post adjutant, just cannot keep the ladies away any more, so he is sure to be a headliner. Bill Fretz and Bill Durbin—Amos 'n' Andy have nothing on them—and John Nash and Stanton Henry and many others whose reputations are known as far away as Lower Merion.

We need not say much about "The Cock-Eyed World" because everyone has heard it or heard of it. Many are

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Kiwanis Club Entertains

Boys at Christmas Dinner

The Main Line Kiwanis Club played host to a group of twenty-five boys who were members of the Kiwanis Camp at Kimberton, Pa., last summer at a Christmas banquet held at Whitehall, Haverford, on Monday evening. Everett E. Burlingame presided as master of ceremonies while W. J. Wilson, of Bryn Mawr, took the part of Santa Claus in the latter's absence.

Each boy, after enjoying a fine Christmas dinner, was presented with a pearl-handled pocketknife, a box of candy and a watch. Edward H. Snow, director of the camp, spoke of plans for the next season at Kimberton.

Expect Christmas Mail to Break All Records

Records still incomplete at the Narberth Post Office will probably show that this year's volume of Christmas mail was the greatest in history here. Thousands of cards and parcels commenced streaming in early last week, but the greatest volume of business was Sunday, when deliveries were made all day by the postmen and their assistants, in an effort to relieve the congestion of Monday and Tuesday.

The rush continued until Christmas eve, late. A small army of extra workers, many of them college students home for the holidays, aided the postmaster, J. Bertram Nesper, and his force in delivery and dispatching the mail.

Lower Merion Wins First League Game

Haverford High Bows, 51-26, as
Maroon Forwards
Set Fast Pace.

SUBS GET OPPORTUNITY

By Tommy Macklin.

A fast-stepping, high-scoring quintette, representing the colors of Lower Merion High School, felt the tang of Christmas in the air last Friday, the last day of the school year of 1929. With the true spirit of the season, they wrapped up a victory for Coach Bill Anderson and the loyal followers of the Maroon and White, put a sprig of bay leaves on the package and generally managed to celebrate the holiday time with joy and gladness.

The victory was at the expense of the Haverford High School five, a great bunch of athletes and fine basketball players. The score was 51 to 26, and just about showed the difference between the two teams in scoring power when ranged against each other. It was not that Haverford was poor but that Lower Merion was in another

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Schoolmen Attend State Educational Meeting

Superintendent S. Edgar Downs, Principal Edward H. Snow, of the Junior High School, and Ralph Davenport, principal of the Ardmore and Wynnewood schools, left Ardmore Christmas night for the State Educational Association meeting being held at New-castle, Pa., yesterday and today.

Mr. Snow is president of the Junior High School section of the association and will conduct the annual round table discussion held in his particular field of education. Mr. Davenport is a delegate from the Lower Merion district.

Stops Signs Up Soon

Through traffic stop sign at the intersections of borough streets with Montgomery Pike and at the intersections of Wynnewood Road, Narberth and Essex Avenue will be erected shortly after the first of the year, according to information from borough authorities.

Big Crowd Fills Every Seat at Narberth's Community Christmas Service

Wynnewood Girl to Play Lead in "The First Year"

Miss Helene Boericke, of Wynnewood, will play one of the leading parts in the next performance of the Main Line Repertory Theatre. "The First Year," written and acted by the well-known comedian, Frank Craven, is the name of the play to be given Wednesday, January 8, at the Woman's Club of Bala-Cynwyd. This is the third offering of the season. The theatre, founded last year, has been put on a subscription basis and will present three more plays after this one.

Miss Elizabeth Cunningham, of Rosemont, who will be remembered for her excellent portrayal of the role of Lady Kitty in the theatre's first bill of the season, "The Circle," by W. Somerset Maugham, will take the part of Hattie, the colored maid, in "The First Year." Edward McMichael Shaw, of Wayne, will play the part of Tommy Tucker, whose initiation into married life supplies the many amusing episodes of the play. It is expected to be most enthusiastically received by the subscription members as well as the general public, who may purchase admissions at the door.

Name Women's Committee For String Simfonietta

The Main Line Women's Committee of the Philadelphia Chamber String Simfonietta includes the following: Mrs. John P. Twaddell, of Berkley Road, Haverford, chairman; Miss Mary Peirce, Haverford; Mrs. Winfield Crawford, Wayne; Mrs. I. D. Carson, Narberth; Miss Ellen Winsor, Haverford; Miss Mary Evans, Bryn Mawr; Mrs. Arthur Staples, Narberth; Mrs. Clarence Hall, Merion; Mrs. Frank C. Roberts, Jr., Paoli; Mrs. A. D. Hunt, Haverford; Mrs. Dudley Guilford, Haverford, and Miss Mary Boyd, Radnor.

The next concert of the Simfonietta, which is composed of eighteen members of the Philadelphia Orchestra under the direction of the founder and lovers with the large, beautiful and generally unfamiliar literature for string orchestra, the string Simfonietta had at the end of last season played thirty-four concerts in Philadelphia and other cities. In the course of these programs about forty unusual and distinct novelties were presented.

Making Good Records

That Narberth students attending the Lower Merion High Schools are making first-rate records in their work was revealed in the superintendent's report at the December meeting of the Narberth School Board.

All members of the Board were present at the meeting which was concerned chiefly with routine business. The Borough School will reopen after the holidays on Thursday, January 2.

Auditorium Overflowing at Ad- mirable Christmas Program.

FINE STAGE EFFECTS

Fill every seat in the Narberth Theatre and add to that multitude all who can comfortably stand in the rear and the resulting total will be the correct figure of the attendance at the Narberth Community Christmas service at the theatre last Sunday evening. It was a highly stimulating audience for any group of artists or actors and, in turn, those who occupied the stage presented an entertainment which, in every respect, was worthy of the attendance.

All of the details of the service showed careful and painstaking rehearsing and a degree of stage management which raised it far above the ordinary Christmas entertainments. This service was made possible through the co-operation of the Protestant churches, the Merion Preparative Meeting of Friends, the Women's Community Club and the owners of the Narberth Theatre. It is generally reported that the Rev. Robert E. Keighton was one of the moving spirits in this commendable enterprise, but it would be impossible to prove that statement by the printed program from which his name was conspicuously absent. Credit for the staging of the tableaux goes to Mrs. C. Arley Farmer and to Mrs. Henry A. Frye for the directing of the play.

The combined choirs of the various churches, aided by the excellent theatre organ, at which Harry C. Banks, Jr., presided, sang the hymns of the first tableau with remarkably fine effect.

Rev. John Van Ness offered the invocation and read an appropriate scripture lesson. W. Russell Green publicly expressed the appreciation of the large audience to the owners of the theatre and announced that the collection, after defraying necessary expenses, which were small, would be de-

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Workers For Firemen's Benefit to Meet Monday

A meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Eberhardt Mueller, 208 Essex Avenue, on Monday at 2 o'clock for all women interested in participating actively in the benefit to be given during January for the Narberth Fire Company. All proceeds will be used to help pay off the balance of \$2500 due on the hook and ladder of the Narberth Company.

The benefit will include a card party cake sale, a talk and demonstration of modern furnishings and color schemes by an interior decorator, a fortune teller and a sale of miscellaneous articles.

Everyone in the territory served by the Narberth Fire Company is urged to assist in making the benefit a success. Donations of cash, saleable merchandise or cakes will be welcome.

Where to Go

THEATRES

ADELPHI—"Thunder in the Air", second offering of Professional Players. Well recommended.

BROAD—"Waterloo Bridge", Glenn Hunter returns to the stage in a good play.

CHESTNUT—"Pleasure Bound", revue with well-known entertainers.

FORREST—"The New Moon", lavish musical show.

GARRICK—"Major Barbara", last two days of fine Shaw offering by Theatre Guild. Opening Monday, Eddie Cantor in "Whoopie."

KEITH'S—Victor Herbert Festival, Fritz Scheff in "Mlle. Modiste."

LYRIC—"Journey's End", well-spoken of English war play.

SHURBERT—"Duchess of Chicago", new operetta.

WALNUT—"The Sap from Syracuse", new comedy.

MUSICAL EVENTS

"Hansel and Gretel", Christmas matinee performance. Saturday, December 28, at 2.30 (in English)—Philadelphia Civic Opera Company.

"Aida"—Philadelphia Civic Opera Company, Thursday, January 2, 8.15.

Philadelphia Orchestra—This afternoon and tomorrow night, Ossip Gabrilovitch, conducting; Franck, Dukas Liszt.

LOCAL MOVIES

SEVILLE (Bryn Mawr)—Today and tomorrow, "Side Street", with the three Moore brothers; Monday and Tuesday, Rod La Roque in "The Delightful Rogue"; midnight show (doors open at 11.30), "Sailors' Holiday" (benefit theatre employees); Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, Jack Holt, Lila Lee in "Flight"; Saturday, "The Wagon Master."

NARBERTH—Today and tomorrow, William Haines in "Speedway"; Monday, Rin-Tin-Tin in "The Million Dollar Collar"; Tuesday, "No Defense"; Wednesday and Thursday, "Love, Live and Laugh"; Friday and Saturday, "Big Time."

EGYPTIAN (Bala-Cynwyd)—Today and tomorrow, "China Bound"; Monday and Tuesday, Moran and Mack in "The Two Black Crows"; Wednesday and Thursday, Will Rogers in "They Had to See Paris"; Friday and Saturday, "The Unholy Night," with Ernest Torrence and Dorothy Sebastian.

ANTHONY WAYNE—(Wayne)—Today and tomorrow, Joan Crawford in "Untamed"; Monday and Tuesday, "The Lady Lies" (midnight show Tuesday); Douglas MacLean in "The Carnation Kid"; Wednesday and Thursday, Greta Garbo, Conrad Nagel in "The Kiss"; Friday and Saturday, "Broadway Scandals."

ARDMORE—Today, "The Isle of Lost Ships"; tomorrow, "The Forward Pass" with Doug Fairbanks, Jr.; Monday and Tuesday, George Bancroft in "The Mighty"; Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, Harold Lloyd in "Welcome Danger"; Saturday, "The Great Divide."

A good many screen actresses marry their managers, after which the latter do perceptibly less managing.

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There seems to be some controversy between Uncle Sam and John Bull regarding the ownership of land around the South Pole. Probably both want to start a filling station down there.

'Two Black Crows' and Will Rogers Feature Egyptian's Holiday Bill

"China Bound," with Karl Dane and George K. Arthur, is the latest of a string of comedies to hit the Egyptian Cynwyd. It is being shown the end of this week, with a Charlie Chase talkie, a Mickey Mouse comedy, and the December Horoscope as accompanying attractions.

Moran and Mack, famed as radio's "Two Black Crows," will entertain in their comedy, "Why Bring That Up?" at the Egyptian next Monday and Tuesday.

On New Year's Day—when a special 2.15 matinee will supplement the usual 7 and 9 P. M. performances—and on Thursday, Will Rogers will aid Main Liners to laugh in the New Year with his talking comedy, "They Had to See Paris." As an added treat, Manager Joseph Conway has booked "Springtime," claimed to be even funnier than "The Skeleton Dance."

Next Friday and Saturday, an "Our Gang" comedy will conclude the list of laugh-specials for the feature attraction will be "The Unholy Night," claimed to be the peer of all-talking mystery dramas. Its cast includes Ernest Torrence, Dorothy Sebastian and Roland Young.

'Speedway' Is Week-end Bill at Narberth Theatre

Ernest Torrence and Anita Page are assisting stars in William Haines' picture, "Speedway," which is at the Narberth Theatre the end of this week. An "Our Gang" comedy is among the added attractions.

Next week's program at Narberth will include Rin-Tin-Tin in the famous dog's latest film, "The Million Dollar Collar," coming Monday matinee and night. At Tuesday matinee and evening, "No Defense," an all-talking drama, will be featured.

New Year's Day and Thursday, George Jessel, Broadway comedian, will be seen—heard in "Love, Live and Laugh." "Big Time" is announced for next Friday and Saturday with Lee Tracy, Mae Clarke, Josephine Dunn, Daphne Pollard and Stepin Fetchit.

Children at Egyptian's Party Receive Gifts

Bala-Cynwyd business folk, "Uncle Wip," Veterans of Foreign Wars from Bala-Cynwyd, the Egyptian Theatre management, and several hundred children got together Monday afternoon at the Egyptian, and the results were:

Food donations for Lower Merion's poor children, distributed by township police as part of their annual charity campaign.

Motion pictures, a "radio" talk to the children, and distribution of the merchants' gifts, and ice cream, cake and candy, and toys and novelties.

The gift-giving was continued at the theatre's Monday evening performance, when many adults took advantage of

the opportunity to aid the township's poor.

Make Transfer of Wynnewood Properties

The country estate of Ralph L. Murray at the corner of Lancaster Avenue and Remington Road, Wynnewood, known as "Wohlruh," has been sold by Hirst & MacFarland to Fitz-Eugene D. Thayer, subject to a mortgage of \$100,000 held by the Girard Trust Company. It is reported that the property sold for \$175,000. It has a frontage on Lancaster Pike of 552 feet and a depth along Remington Road of 624 feet and contains eight acres of ground. The residence consists of an all-stone house with a slate roof, with twenty rooms and five baths, together with a garage for six cars and complete chauffeur's quarters. There is also a gate

house of six rooms and bath.

The property adjoins the estates of Isaac H. Clothier, Dr. Thomas G. Ashton, Gideon Boericke and Mrs. W. Parker Shortridge.

Mr. Murray has bought fifteen acres of ground through the same brokers on Mt. Moro Road at Villanova on which he is now building a residence for himself and wife and two other residences for his son and daughter at an approximate cost of \$200,000.

Mr. Thayer has rented the Wynnewood property through Hirst & MacFarland until next fall at which time he will occupy the property for his own residence after extensive improvements have been made.

A New York girl who found a \$2000 bankroll returned it to its owner and thus got a husband. You can't be too careful about what you pick up in the streets.

NARBERTH THEATRE

Holiday Matinee at 2:30 Daily to New Year's, Inclusive
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MONDAY—Rin Tin Tin in
"THE MILLION-DOLLAR COLLAR"

TUESDAY—The all-talking dramatic
"No Defense"
sensation

WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY—George Jessel in
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MONDAY and TUESDAY—MORAN & MACK, "The Two Black Crows," in their talkie hit,

"WHY BRING THAT UP?"

WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY EVENING (special 2:15 Matinee New Year's Day)—WILL ROGERS at his inimitable best, in

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FORE AND AFT

The Main Line Repertory Theatre explains its *raison d'être*.

Just the other day a gentleman asked us point-blank: "What need has the Main Line of a Little Theatre? What good it is anyway?" We were shocked. We had never for a moment considered ourselves superfluous. We don't now, yet we realize—with ten theatres in Philadelphia—that his aspect is a likely one.

However, the Little Theatre is a different proposition. As a non-profit organization, commercialism is reduced to a minimum. It exists solely for the benefit of the community, which enjoys an active interest in its work. It is a playhouse for those who would like to indulge constructive playing in an artistic way, and we believe there is nothing so good for the soul of a community as an expression of its creative instinct.

No matter our age, we all like to play. We like to build castles, although the struggle for existence rarely allows those castles to be built. Behind the footlights lie many of our wish fulfillments. There we can build castles and create the roles we have longed to play.

Not to seem paradoxical there is another reason behind the curtain. Man has a common tendency to shape the world in image of himself. Here in the creative theatre, he discards illusion and learns to fashion himself in image of the world; he learns to understand the variableness of mankind its struggle and perturbation.

Such is the purpose of our Repertory Theatre. At present our goal may seem distant, yet those who have been associated with us have already experienced a satisfactory thrill. Moreover, they have acquired self-assurance poise and expression. Unconsciously too, they have received a lesson in elocution and an addition to their vocabulary.

If our gentleman is not yet convinced, we have still another reason in the words of a well-wishing dowager: "At least," she says, referring to our theatre, "it keeps the young people out of mischief."

Engaged to Wed



Miss Theodora Agnes Linn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Linn, of Llandrillo Road, Cynwyd, whose engagement to Mr. Nelson Carter Wilbur, son of Dr. and Mrs. Bertram K. Wilbur, of Haverford, was announced this week. Miss Linn is a Senior at Wilson College and a niece of Justice William B. Linn, of the Superior Court of Pennsylvania.

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Reason For Pride

Narberth is to be congratulated on two features of Sunday night's community Christmas service at the Narberth Theatre. Not only did scores of participants in the exercises do well, making of the service a flawless performance—but also the borough's citizenry did its part by turning out in numbers that filled the theatre to overflowing.

At this time of the year Narberth has reason, in taking stock of its civic resources, to feel proud of the public-spirited men and women who can always be counted upon, it seems, to manage the borough's affairs, religious as well as secular, in a manner that is whole-hearted and unselfish.

Narberth householders have again made of the borough a place of beauty by night—with the strings of colored lights which adorn trees on lawns throughout the town.

Urges Monthly Service

To the Editor of "Our Town":

Immediately after the Armistice Sunday services in the Narberth Theatre, you made an excellent editorial suggestion that the attendance and the interest at that service had indicated the way to a monthly Sunday evening use of the theatre by the community. The Christmas service in the theatre last Sunday, with even larger attendance, gives further point to that suggestion. I hope that opportunity is not going to be overlooked.

ROBERT F. WOOD.

December 23, 1929.

Assistant at All Saints
Is Advanced to Priesthood

The Rev. Edward J. Bubb, who became assistant to the Rev. Gibson Bill at All Saints Church, Wynnewood, October 1, was advanced to the Episcopalian priesthood on December 16. He was ordained by the Rt. Rev. Alexander Mann at Trinity Cathedral, Pittsburgh.

The new assistant was born January 23, 1902, in Pittsburgh. He studied at Carleton College, Northfield, Minn., and completed his seminary work at the Seabury Divinity School, Faribault, Minn., this year. He expects to receive a degree from the Philadelphia Divinity School next spring.

The Rev. Mr. Bubb spent five years in the missionary field in Minnesota and Iowa, making church surveys. His duties at All Saints Church include being in charge of the Church School and the Young People's Fellowship work.

Record's All-Scholastic eleven. Time out for a hearty laugh.

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Warren Lockwood, Alfred D'Amora, Alfred Mandes and Henry Gane are rounding out their fifth year as varsity members of Lower Merion basketball teams. They started playing for the Orange and Black in their eighth grade year and have been playing together since. "Perk" Scott formed the fifth man on that group, but he dropped the game this season. This group made the varsity team in their sophomore year and have been the backbone of it since then.

"Time Out"

Tommy Macklin.

The value of a college education has been demonstrated satisfactorily this past week at the Ardmore Post Office. Postmaster Joseph M. Baltz announced "everything cleared up" on Monday night. The deliveries were back to normal a full day before Christmas, thanks to the efficient corps of emergency helpers on the job. Among the extras were boys from colleges all over the land. Roger Reynolds, now at Georgetown University; Ronald Ruddle and Frank Peabody from Duke University, Harry Francis from Notre Dame, Doug Flemming from Lehigh and Charles Pennypacker from Haverford College, not to mention a half dozen from the high school, helped to sort and deliver the record Christmas mail. All of these boys are former Lower Merion High School athletes and are home for the holidays.

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The Christmas season also brings back other boys who in recent years represented the Maroon on the athletic field. Alan Cook is home from Lafayette College, Serrill Gibson from Dickinson, "Bud" Miller and Horace Mowery from the University of Alabama, John McGowan and "Horsie" Dohan from Cornell, Alfred Nicholson from Princeton, Bob Cunningham from F. and M., Bob Elmore, Bill Gane and Jack Woodward from Trinity College, South Carolina, and "Brud" Kohlhas first classman from Annapolis.

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The Maroon basketball team had a practice game with the University of Pennsylvania freshman five two weeks ago and had the edge on the boys at the Palestra. Pennypacker and Bonniwell looked good as high scorers with Lockwood doing his usual bit.

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Coach "Doc" Fred Wallace will have another fine team at Haverford School this season. Captain Bill Watts is back at centre and the team is being built around him. Haverford was runner-up to the Episcopal five last year in the race for the championship.

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Captain "Perk" Scott and "Tip" Peters made the "second" team on the

flies. Other honored names were Pabst in Milwaukee and Annhauser-Busch in St. Louis. Alas, their day is done! I wonder if their corpses rest in Jess' cellar just south of the steps and slightly east of the furnace.

UNCLE CY'S COLUMN

Jess Comes Again

Dear Uncle Cy:

In referring to my "unpleasant pseudonym" and "amazing pen-name," it is probable that you do not intend to be insulting; but we persons with names unusual to this locality are apt to be somewhat sensitive. I am a new-comer to the Main Line. Bearers of the cognomen Littlekiss may be few and far between in this section of the country, but in Wisconsin the name is honored—not ridiculed. In Buckner's History of the Civil War, volume two at page 329, in the middle of the chapter on the Third Wisconsin Volunteers, you will find a not altogether uncomplimentary reference to Major Josiah A. Littlekiss, my great-uncle. Representative William B. Littlekiss, who went to Congress in 1890 from Madison, where he had been a professor of English, was a second cousin. The name is pronounced as if spelled "Lit-layk-is," with the accent on the penult. It is of continental origin, and you will find many of my ancestors in the little churchyard at Tournai, which is due south of Ghent and slightly east of Lille. Even today, the name is far more frequent in that neighborhood than your Smiths and Browns are on the Main Line. And my ancestors were making and wearing fine armor and silks when your proud Welsh citizens were living in mud-huts and spending their days caring for half-domesticated pigs.

As for your no doubt kindly-meant invitation to submit "an authoritative article on the recently instituted American sports of 'necking' and 'parking,' etc.," I do not see your point, if point there be (note use of the subjunctive). And as for humans as a noun, my exemplar is no less an authority than that master of style, Robert Louis Stevenson. And I have no doubt but that you will find the same locution used by that exquisite English bard, Charles Tennyson.

The world has assumed that Ambrose Bierce, who is acclaimed by some as the writer of the best American short stories, has passed into the great beyond. He was last heard of down South somewhere. Until further news of him comes to hand, I feel that I am permitted, along with the other authorities, to assume that he is dead.

I have no desire, sir, to turn you on a spit over the coals. I submitted brief constructive criticisms in the hope that they would be received as friendly advice. It is my regret that you have not seen fit to receive this advice in the spirit in which it was sent.

Truly yours,

JESS A. LITTLEKISS.

Bravo, Jess! It's all quite plain now, but I have always had a sort of morbid curiosity about middle names. Does "A" by any chance stand for "Another"?

It is a shame that the Smiths and Browns are less prolific than the Littlekisses, isn't it? Why didn't you add that your ancestors were making and wearing fine armor and silks while mine were cracking nuts with their teeth, just as you write fine phrases while I am busy riding an almost extinct, medieval, domesticated animal or pruning rose bushes.

In speaking of the "exquisite bard, Charles Tennyson," didn't you possibly mean Alfred Lord Dickens?

Thank you for your concise explanation about the whereabouts of Ambrose Bierce, or the late Ambrose Bierce.

My dear sir, I trust I have not unwittingly offended you by my senile pleasantries, and if I have been unappreciative of the advice and constructive criticism it was due solely to my own stupidity and in no wise to any lack of clarity of expression on your part. I beg of you to forgive me for blundering.

Would you mind signing your next letter in full together with your complete middle name, your street address and telephone number?

Isn't Jess a joy to the jaded soul of a collyumbist? Can you help wondering what he's like. This is an aside—he says Littlekisses are honored in Wisconsin. Good! Some of us can remember when "Schlitz—in Brown Bottles" was also honored in Milwaukee. One was told that brown bottles were used so that the customer couldn't see

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President Sykes and Commissioners Review Lower Merion Police at Annual Inspection

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APPOINTMENT IS MADE

With uniforms and equipment immaculate, the Lower Merion Township Police Force, eighty-three strong, drawn up in military formation in the rear of the Township Building, was reviewed on December 18th, 1929 by Frank H. Sykes, president of the Board of Commissioners, and by the Police and Fire Committee.

Short addresses were made by Mr. Sykes and by A. D. Warnock, chairman of the Police Committee of the Board, commending the men upon their efficiency and tact in the performance of their duties.

Following the formal inspection of the force the Commissioners looked over the rolling stock, including seven automobiles, seven motorcycles and sixty-five bicycles. Inspection of the lockup and its solitary occupant, an honored guest, completed the annual review.

At the meeting of the Township Commissioners which followed, Luther A. Jasper was appointed a patrolman in the police force, effective January 1, to fill the vacancy created by the discharge of James J. Farrell on November 27 for "conduct unbecoming a policeman."

A committee, consisting of Messrs. Gray, Mancil and Barker, was constituted an under committee of the Finance Committee to investigate salaries of township employees.

The personnel of the Lower Merion Police Force is as follows: Chief, two lieutenants, six sergeants, one detective, one police clerk, one turnkey, sixty-six patrolmen, two officers assigned to the Merion Civic Association, one to Merion Community Association and three to the Borough of Narberth.

Merchant, Musician



Celebrates Golden Anniversary

Fifty years ago Dr. Herbert J. Tily, Cynwyd, worked as cash boy at \$2 a week for Strawbridge & Clothier, Philadelphia. Frequently he spurned the horse-cars that roamed the streets, and walked four miles from his home to the store and back again, to stretch his 33-cent-per-day income. Taken on only as an extra Christmas-season helper, he expected to be fired Christmas Eve, 1879. But he wasn't.

Wednesday of last week Dr. Tily was given a testimonial dinner by the Strawbridge & Clothier directors, marking half a decade of service for the department store. Early in the

eighties he was promoted to the accounting department. In 1897 he became chief accountant. In 1905 he was general manager; in 1922 he became vice president, and in 1927 he was chosen president of the organization.

The dinner to Dr. Tily was tendered by the directors of Strawbridge & Clothier Wednesday evening. It was preceded by a reception on the sixth floor of the recently completed first unit of the new \$10,000,000 building.

Presentation of a gold cup commemorating Dr. Tily's fifty years of service was made by Morris L. Clothier. Presentation of the Golden Trophy trowel was made by L. Herbert Tily.

Significant and fitting was the gift presented by 150 buyers and executives of the store. It consists of two costly, beautiful volumes of Dr. Tily's musical compositions—one containing piano scores with words; the other, the complete orchestrations.

For Dr. Tily's hobby is music. In 1882 he became organist of St. Barnabas' Protestant Episcopal Church. For more than a decade he has been organist and director of music in St. John's Episcopal Church, Cynwyd.



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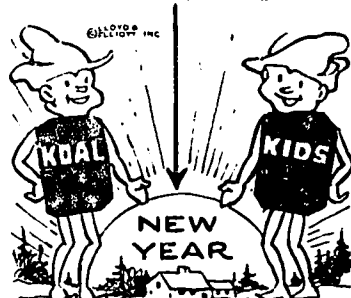
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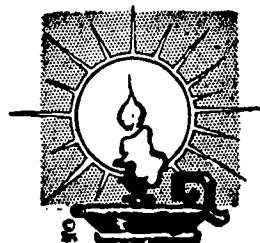
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Time Out

By Tommy Macklin.

Seven years ago, a group of us were standing on the bank above the stands at the Lower Merion High School athletic field, watching the boys of the Junior High School in their practice session as Coach Harvey Harmon was sending them through their paces on the cinder track.

We noticed a little tow-headed youngster taking part in a long grind around the cinders, and the remark was made that "that little spindly-legged fellow will break in two if he doesn't take a rest." The little eighth grader did not take a rest, however, in fact he was the last boy off the track. As he walked into the dressing room we addressed him, asking if he didn't think he was overdoing the thing a little bit. He smiled, disagreed, and went on his way.

This sort of thing continued day after day, and this same little tow-head forged his way to the front for many victorious races for the Junior and Senior High Schools.

Last Saturday afternoon, Tom Ottey added another championship to his long string of accomplishments by stepping out in front of a small but fast field in the Knights of Columbus cross-country race held over the Shanahan course in West Philadelphia. He is the Middle Atlantic A. A. U. Senior cross country champion, and runs for the meadowbrook Club. In this race, however, he wore the colors of Bishop Kenrick Council, and stepped the time in 13 minutes, 47 seconds.

Tom started winning these races seven years ago on the cinder track behind the Junior High School, and if he continues to improve as he has in the past, he will be doing his favorite distance before many years in Nurmi time.

On the same winning team with Ottey last Saturday was Nick Cardoni, Ardmore boy, who learned his lessons at West Catholic in his high school days, and who is now going to Drexel where he was a teammate with "Juke" Miller on the football team this fall.

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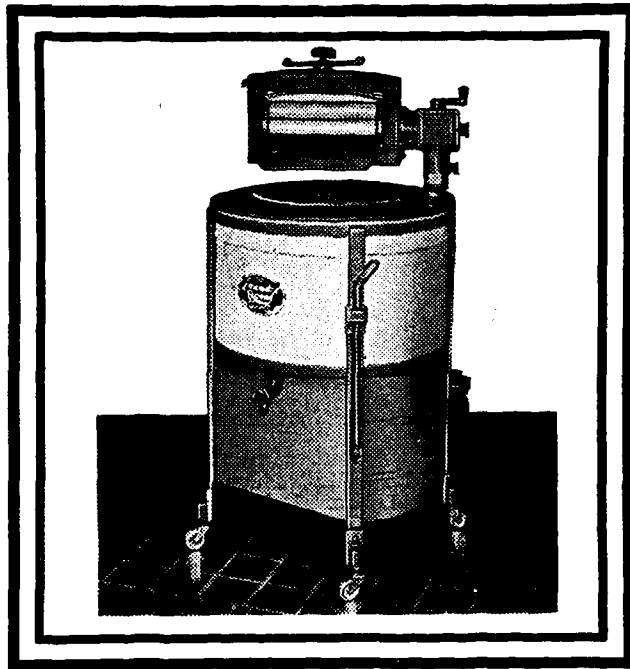
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The next step will be the laying of the overhead wires, which may not begin until all the poles are in place. According to information from the railroad authorities, the Pennsy has every hope of inaugurating the electric service next summer.

A minor innovation is being introduced on the Main Line Division, where the two inside tracks from Overbrook to Paoli are being "doubled-signalized" for use in either direction in order to speed up traffic at certain times of the day.

Open Suburban Real Estate Department

Mirkil, Valdes & Co., 1500 Walnut Street, Philadelphia, real estate brokers who have specialized for years in central city real estate, especially in the new financial district, recently announced the opening of a department devoted to suburban real estate. The new department is under the management of Charles V. Murphy, of Wynnewood.

In connection with the opening William I. Mirkil, president of the company, said:

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Home for the Holidays



—Photo by Bachrach.

Miss Mollie McCrudden, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. J. McCrudden, of Merion, who is taking a special course at Oxford University, has arrived in this country recently and is spending the holidays with her parents.

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To better acquaint residents of suburban Philadelphia with the Simphonietta and the richly varied musical fare to be offered during the present

season, the following committee has been appointed under the chairmanship of Mrs. John P. Twaddell, of Haverford; Miss Elizabeth Pierce, Haverford; Mrs. Winfield Crawford, Wayne; Mrs. I. D. Carson, Narberth; Miss Ellen Winsor, Haverford; Miss Mary Evans, Bryn Mawr; Mrs. Edward Staples, Narberth; Mrs. Clarence Hall, Merion; Mrs. Frank C. Roberts, Jr., Paoli; Mrs. A. D. Hunt, Haverford; Mrs. Dudley Guilford, Haverford; Miss Mary Boyle, Radnor.

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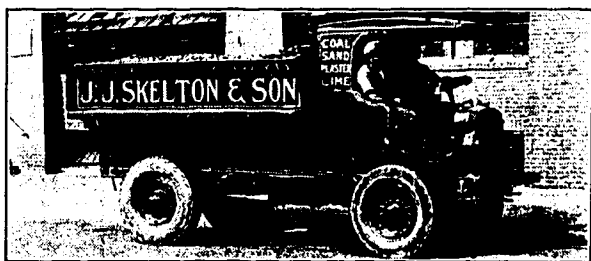
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11:00 A. M.—Sunday services.

11:00 A. M.—Sunday School.

8:00 P. M.—Evening service.

Wednesday evening testimonial meeting at 8 o'clock.

Reading room, 19 West Lancaster Avenue, open week days from 10:30 to 4:30 o'clock; Wednesday evening from 9:15 to 9:45 o'clock.

The subject for the Bible lesson sermon Sunday, December 29, is "Christian Science."

Methodist Episcopal Church

Rev. Samuel MacAdams, Minister.

Sunday, December 29:

9:45 A. M.—Sunday School.

11:00 A. M.—Morning worship and sermon, "Life's Supreme Task."

6:45 P. M.—Epworth League Christmas carol service.

7:45 P. M.—Evening worship. Men's meeting. Address by the Hon. Fletcher W. Stites. The men of the community are invited.

On Friday, January 3, at 8:15 P. M. Mrs. Chalfant's Sunday School class will give an entertainment consisting of two playlets entitled "Two Dollars Please," and "Just Women." The price of admission will be fifty cents. The public are invited.

The Presbyterian Church

Rev. John Van Ness, Minister.

Meetings for December 29:

9:45 A. M.—Bible School.

11:00 A. M.—Morning worship. Subject of the sermon: "Gold and Frankincense and Myrrh." Special Christmas music.

11:00 A. M.—Junior Church, conducted by Mrs. A. S. Digby.

7:00 P. M.—Meetings of the three Endeavor Societies. The Senior Meeting will be led by Mildred Gilfillan, of Wilson College. The Seniors will have supper together at the church at 6 o'clock. They will also sing at the evening worship.

7:45 P. M.—Evening worship. This last sermon of the Old Year will be about "The Closed Book." The following Sunday evening the subject will be "The Open Book." The Senior Chorus will sing at this meeting.

Next Tuesday evening we will hold a "Watch Night Prayer Meeting." It will be something different from any other meeting we have ever held. There will be gospel singing and special subjects will be presented by different persons and we will enter into the New Year on the wings of prayer. The meeting and will begin at 10:30 and all are cordially invited. This will take the place of the usual Wednesday evening prayer meeting.

Session meeting—next Friday evening, January 3, 1930.

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

Rev. Cletus A. Senft, Pastor.

Sunday, December 29:

9:45 A. M.—Bible School.

11:00 A. M.—The service. Theme: "Time with God."

6:45 P. M.—Luther League.

7:45 P. M.—The Vesper Service. Theme: "Named Jesus."

Tuesday, December 31—Ladies' Aid Society Meeting.

Friday—8:00 P. M.—Choir rehearsal.

Baptist Church of the Evangel

Robert E. Keighton, Minister.

Sunday, December 29:

9:45 A. M.—Church School.

11:00 A. M.—Morning Worship Ser-

mon: "I Will."

7:30 P. M.—Evening Worship Sermon: "His Will."

Wednesday, January 1:

8:00 A. M.—An introductory service into the New Year.

Come and worship with us in our dedication of Life to the Master's Service.

Villanova Transfer

A stone Colonial residence and garage, together with about six acres of land, situated on Mt. Moro Road at Villanova, has been sold to Tristram C. Colket, 2d, who will occupy the property for his residence. It is adjacent to the properties of W. W. Corcoran, J. Kearsley Mitchell, W. W. Hepburn and Mrs. James T. Martin. The sale was made by McMullin and McMullin for Durham and Irvine.

A British barrister says that few women make good speakers. That seems to refute the rule that practice makes perfect.

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The FIRESIDE

Mr. John King, son of Dr. and Mrs. LeRoy A. King, of Shirley Road, returned last Saturday from Carson-Lang Military Academy and will spend the Christmas holidays with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Franklin P. Dunlop, of Dudley Avenue, spent Christmas with Mrs. Dunlop's sister, Mrs. William R. Greenway, of Clifton, N. J.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Robert Ross, of Elm Terrace, entertained Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Lang, Mrs. Ross' father and mother, and Mr. William Davis, brother of Mrs. Ross, at dinner on Christmas Day.

Miss Virginia Douglass, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy C. Douglass, of Elm Terrace, is entertaining at a tea this afternoon (Friday), from 4 to 6. Mrs. Nellie B. Ramey and Mrs. L. H. Trotter will pour.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac E. Leech, of Elm Terrace, entertained Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Russell, of Stonehurst, on Christmas Day.

Mrs. Charles Waugh and her son Charles, of Newtown, and Mr. Fred Heffinger, of Trenton, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. Somers Newman, of Lantwyn Lane, over last week-end. Mr. and Mrs. Newman and their daughter Barbara are spending the Christmas holidays at Scranton, Pa.

Miss Jane Nash, of Anthwyn Road, is spending the Christmas holidays in New York.

Miss Dorothy Clevenger and Miss Madeline Baughman, of North Narberth Avenue, are giving a tea at Miss Baughman's home on Monday afternoon, from four until six o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Lloyd Rickert, of Essex Avenue, and their son, Mr. William Rickert, left last week for Johnstown, where they will remain until after New Year's.

Miss Bird Roberts, Miss Barbara Shand and Miss Ida Buckman are giving a luncheon and card party this afternoon at Whitehall, Haverford, to the members of the Narberth Fort-nightly Club.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert H. Durbin, of North Narberth Avenue, entertained Mr. and Mrs. Louis A. Winne and family, of Wilmington, Del., at dinner on Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. George Hopkins, of Merion Avenue, entertained Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Hopkins, of Ardmore; Mrs. T. Mattis, of Philadelphia; Mrs. Jeffie Shaw, of Philadelphia, and Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Hopkins, of Rutherford at dinner on Christmas Day.

Miss Rita Dwyer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Dwyer, of Grayling Avenue, returned from Marywood College at Scranton last Friday to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents. Miss Dwyer has as her guest this week Miss Muriel James, of New York.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Elmer Titus, of Chestnut Avenue, entertained at bridge last Friday evening at the Green Lantern Lodge, Ardmore. Among the guests were Dr. and Mrs. Raymon M. Staley, Mr. and Mrs. T. Noel Butler, Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Mills, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Vincent and Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Van Sant.

Mr. and Mrs. William R. Foster and Miss Betty Van Horn, of Mercerville, N. J., are the guests of their aunt, Mrs. Samuel E. Jefferis, of Dudley Avenue, for the Christmas holidays.

Miss Ruth Quinn, of Doylestown, has been visiting Miss Evelyn Jefferis for a few days.

Mrs. J. Campbell Chetwood, of Windsor and Essex Avenues, has left on an extended trip to Europe and will probably not return for two or three years. She will visit France first and then probably go on to Egypt and Africa and many other interesting places.

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The marriage of Miss Molly Wood Snyder, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Henry Snyder, of Chestnut Hill, to Mr. Harry Howard Bent, son of the Rev. and Mrs. Rufus Howard Bent, of Woodside Avenue, took place on Saturday at 4 o'clock in St. Paul's Church, Chestnut Hill. The Rev. Mal-

colm E. Peabody, rector of the church, assisted by the bridegroom's father, performed the ceremony.

Mrs. Frances Hayward was the matron of honor, and Miss Anita L. Shields the maid of honor. The bridesmaids were Miss Carolyn R. Davis, Miss Martha D. Machold, Miss Eleanor Colket and Miss Mary Cheston Ellzey.

Mr. William Ball, of Charleston, S. C., was the best man and the ushers were Mr. Courtland Y. White, 3d, Mr. George Knox McIlwain, Mr. William Phillips, Mr. William Henry Snyder, Jr., brother of the bride, and Mr. Donald MacKubbin.

A reception at the home of the bride's father followed the ceremony.

Mr. Bent and his bride upon their return from a wedding trip will live at 2047 Latimer Street, Philadelphia where they will be at home after January 7.

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Mr. Thomas J. Manning, Jr., of Washington, D. C., will spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas J. Manning, of Hampden Avenue.

Miss Agnes M. Rose, daughter of Mrs. Henry Rose, of Woodside Avenue, has returned from Linden, N. J., to spend the Christmas holidays with her mother. Mr. George Rose, of New York, will spend Christmas Day with his mother.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Griswold, of Chestnut Avenue, gave a dinner on Christmas Day. Among the guests were Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Monaghan of Philadelphia; Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Dodds, of Highland Park; Mrs. J. U. MacElwee, of Highland Park; Mr. Robert MacElwee, of Baltimore, and Mr. Thomas MacElwee, of Chicago.

Mr. Frederick Van Auken, Jr., son of Lieutenant Commander and Mrs. Frederick T. Van Auken, of Chestnut Avenue, is going on a hunting trip next week to the Clove Valley Hunting and Gun Club, near Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

Mr. Frederick Van Auken, Jr., and Miss Anne Van Auken attended the dance given by Dr. and Mrs. Edwin C. Town, of Narberth Avenue, in honor of their daughter, Miss Jane Town at the Merion Tribute House last Saturday evening.

Among the guests who attended the bridge party and dance given by Miss Anne Speed, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh B. Speed, of Chestnut Avenue last Saturday night were Miss Margaretta Gibbons, of Cynwyd; Miss Kathleen Quinn, of Cynwyd; Miss Dorothy Russell, of Cynwyd; Miss Patty Sellers, of Merion; Miss Honora Snyder, of Narberth; Miss Mildred Odiorne, of Narberth; Miss Hope Burlingame, of Bryn Mawr; Miss Betty Swing, of Bryn Mawr; Miss Ellen Shaw, of Merion; Mr. Harrison Bartlett, of New York; Mr. Jack Brennehan, of Cynwyd; Mr. Clinton Muchin, of Germantown; Mr. John Brennan, of Germantown; Mr. Howard Morris, of Bryn Mawr; Mr. Dunwoodie Vook, of Merion; Mr. Bob Keseler, of Cynwyd; Mr. Henry Nelson, of Ardmore, and Mr. Bob Dothard and Mr. Irving Dothard, of Narberth.

Miss Ellen Shaw, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Shaw, of South Narberth Avenue, entertained at dinner at her home Monday evening.

Miss Helen Butler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. Noel Butler, is home from Bucknell College for the Christmas and New Year holidays.

Miss Betty Hubbell, formerly of Narberth and Villanova, is coming on from Cleveland, Ohio, and will spend the next two weeks as the guest of Miss Anne Speed, of Chestnut Avenue. After her visit Miss Hubbell will go to the Knox School in New York, where she is a student.

Miss Mildred Odiorne, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Langdon Odiorne, of Grayling Avenue, will entertain at a bridge party tomorrow (Saturday) at her home.

Miss Giovannia Fittipoldi, who is a student at Georgian Court College,

Lakewood, N. J., will spend the week-end as the guest of Miss Julia Fittipoldi, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Fittipoldi, of Merion Avenue. Miss Fittipoldi is giving a bridge in honor of her cousin, Miss Giovannia Fittipoldi, tomorrow (Saturday).

Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Constantine and their sons, Joseph B. and Constantine B., of Grayling Avenue, spent the Christmas holidays with relatives at New Bedford, Mass. They also visited Boston and are stopping over a few night in New York.

Miss Helen Hoffman gave a linen shower and luncheon followed by a bridge last Friday in honor of Miss Emma Collidge Painter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard T. Painter, of Summit Avenue, Wayne, whose engagement to Mr. Donald Stuart has been recently announced.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Russell Green and family, of Woodbine Avenue, spent the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Green's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mahlon H. Rickert, of Sellersville, Pa.

Miss Louise Gay, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Merrick Gay, of Hagysford and Righter's Mill Road, Narberth, formerly of New York, will be one of next season's debutantes when she will be presented to society in Philadelphia and in New York.

Mrs. John P. Miller, of 217 Essex Avenue, entertained a family party on Christmas Day, the guests being Mr. and Mrs. Joseph F. McCue, Miss Ellen Dillon, Mr. James Dillon, Mr. Paul Dillon, of Germantown; Mr. and Mrs. A. Jones, of Cynwyd; Mr. John P. Jones, Miss Sarah Jones and Miss Eleanor Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph L. Kelley, Miss Elizabeth Dyas Kelley, Mr. Joseph Kelley, Jr., of Narberth; the Misses Miller and Mr. John P. Miller, Jr., of Narberth.

Miss Mina Lyle and Miss Dorothy Strange will give a dance at Elm Hall next Monday evening.

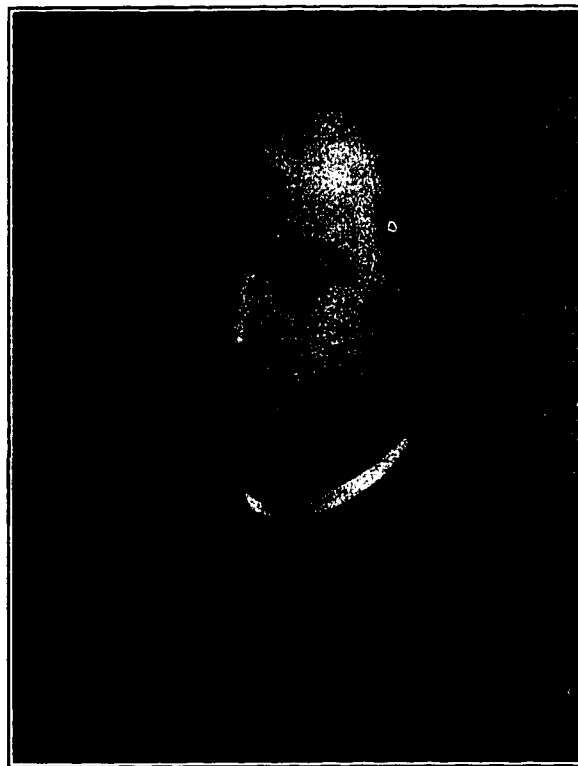
Miss Ellen Timberlake, of Merion Avenue, is entertaining at a bridge next Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. C. R. Mackey, of Passaic, N. J., is spending the Christmas holidays with her sister, Mrs. A. S. Digby, of the Berkley Apartments.

Mrs. Coleman Sellers, Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. E. Lewis Burnham, of "Orchard Way," Berwyn, will give a dance at the Merion War Tribute House on Thursday evening, January, the second in honor of Miss Patty Sellers and Miss Betty Sellers.

Miss Mary E. Digby, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Digby, of the Berkley Apartments and Miss Betty Henry, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George

New Assistant at All Saints



The Rev. Edward J. Bubbs, Assistant to the Rev. Gibson Bell at All Saints Church, Wynnewood, since October 1, who was ordained in Pittsburgh on December 16. He is in charge of the Church School and Young People's Fellowship work at All Saints.

Henry, of Meeting House Lane, are entertaining at a bridge party on New Year's Day, at the home of Miss Digby.

Autocar Trucks Lead in Philadelphia Territory

The old saying that a prophet has no honor in his own country is knocked in the head by the Autocar Company in its home territory of Philadelphia.

The new truck registrations for the first eleven months of 1929 in Philadelphia County, clearly reveal from an impartial source how Autocar leads the large field of heavy duty truck manufacturers. Those registration figures are as follows: Autocar, 360; Brockway, 115; Diamond T, 51; Federal, 95; G. M. C., 235; International Harvester, 184; Mack, 352; Reo, 215; Sterling, 141; Stewart, 56; White, 231.



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Business Opportunities

FOR SALE—Tea room business in Ard. Price reas. Write "F," Box 7273, Ardmore. (obtf)

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CHOW puppies, gen. ped. stock, reas. Call after 6 P. M. Katherine Williams, 11 Farm Rd., Wayne. (ob12-20)

SCHNAUZER puppies—A beautiful litter of registered imported strain. Opperman, Ridge Road and Trooper Road, Norristown. Phone Norristown 1979-R-3. (12-27)

GREAT DANE puppies, harlequin, 2 months old; reg. ped. stock; Scotch terrier, male, beauty, registered, ped. Carl Opperman, Trooper and Ridge Rds., Norristown 1926-R-1. (12-27)

Garages For Rent

GARAGE for rent, 216 Forest Avenue. Narberth 3711. (tf)

Help Wanted

GIRL WANTED—For office work. Experience not necessary. Work in Narberth. Narb. 4044-J.

GIRL—White, cooking and general housework. Sleep in. References. Phone Cynwyd 1190.

INSURANCE SALESMAN—Experienced. To sell casualty insurance on Main Line. Drawing account. Write "M", Box 7273, Ardmore, Pa. (tf)

Real Estate for Rent

MODERATE RENTAL to desirable tenants — semi-detached; newly-renovated house; southern exposure; 8 rooms and bath (5 bedrooms), large yard. North side, Narberth. Apply Durbin & Howard, 31 N. Narberth Ave. Phone Narberth 3843. (tfob)

Rooms and Boarding

FURNISHED ROOM—Gentleman or business woman. Telephone Narberth 4161. (tf)

CHEERFUL furnished room, adjoining bath; central location. 21 West Spring Avenue. Phone Ardmore 1723-R. (ob12-27)

For Sale

FOR SALE—Refrigerator, excellent condition; 135 pounds capacity, \$25. Ph. Cynwyd 342. (ob12-27)

FOR SALE—Twin beds, Simons, in good condition, and a Frigidaire unit. Prices reasonable. Phone Locust 2313 before noon for appointment.

KINDLING wood and fireplace wood, cheap; will deliver. Service Co. Call Cynwyd 877. (12-27)

In New York they stopped censoring plays and the producers have had to begin paying for their advertising again.

"How Weddings Are Not Written Up"—a Truthful Account Appears at Last in a Southern Weekly

A truthful account of a wedding has at last been written. The following story by one Robert Quillen appeared as an editorial feature in the Fountain Inn Tribune, a small four-page weekly paper published at Fountain Inn, South Carolina. In reply to numerous inquiries, its author says since it proved so popular it must have told the truth even though its characters were imaginary.

"Popular Young Couple Married This Week.

"Mr. Robert Chetaway and Miss Olive Roadkin were married at noon Monday at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. D. Roadkin, Rev. M. L. Gassaway officiating.

"The groom is a popular young bun who hasn't done a lick of work since he got shipped in the middle of his junior year at college. He manages to dress well and keep a supply of spending money because his dad is a soft-hearted old fool who takes up his bad checks instead of letting him go to jail where he belongs.

"The bride is a skinny, fast little idiot who has been kissed and handled by every boy in town since she was 12 years old. She paints like a Sioux Indian, sucks cigarettes in secret, and drinks mean corn liquor when she is

out joyriding in her dad's car at night. She doesn't know how to cook, sew or keep house.

"The house was newly plastered for the wedding and the exterior newly painted, thus appropriately carrying out the decorative scheme, for the groom was newly plastered, also, and the bride newly painted.

"The groom wore a rented dinner suit over athletic underwear of imitation silk. His pants were held up by pale suspenders. His number eight patent leather shoes matched his state in tightness and harmonized nicely with axle grease polish of his hair. In addition to his jag he carried a pocket knife, a bunch of keys, a dun for the ring and his usual look of imbecility.

"The bride wore some kind of white thing that left most of her legs sticking out at one end and her bony upper end sticking out at the other.

"The young couple will make their home with the bride's parents—which means they will sponge on the old man until he dies and then she will take in washings.

"Postscript—This may be the last issue of the Tribune, but my life's ambition has been to write up one wedding and tell the unvarnished truth. Now that it is done, death can have no sting."

House to House Mail Delivery to Be Inaugurated in Haverford Thursday



Christmas Stories Told at Library on Tuesday

Special decorations, a tree and all the trimmings marked the holiday season in the library and, in addition, the children's story hour last Tuesday afternoon was devoted by Miss Church to Christmas stories. There was a large attendance of children and some parents and, as another mark of the season, all were gathered about the large fireplace where a big fire of logs was burning.

The stories which Miss Church told the children were: "Nancy Etticoat's Ring," by Madge Bingham; "A Night With Santa Claus," by Annan, and "Tilly's Christmas," by Louisa Alcott. At the previous week's story hour the children had been promised a surprise for the Christmas story hour. This proved to be candy canes, which were distributed to all the children present. These canes were bought with a small sum which had been contributed for that purpose, aided materially by a reduced price on the canes contributed by Mrs. Schultz, of White's Bakery.

Nothing but the weather seems to interfere with the public use of the library, as the growing attendance and circulation of books clearly indicates. The busy weeks preceding the holiday season would seem to be a time of the year when, if ever, book-lovers would have less time for reading, and possibly a close examination of statistics at the library might reveal that on the average each volume was kept out a little longer at that time of the year. But evidently your real book-lover must have a book available all the time regardless of whatever else may be going on.

New Information Bureau to Serve Main Line Section

Approximately 5,000,000 telephone numbers in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware and several large cities in the eastern part of the United States now are quickly available for certain subscribers in the Main Line and Upper Darby districts through a central information bureau opened last week in the Hilltop central office building, Llanerch, by the Bell Telephone Company of Pennsylvania.

The bureau is the first of its kind to be opened for the convenience of subscribers in suburban Philadelphia and was planned to meet the ever-increasing demands for this type of service.

Initially, the bureau is to serve subscribers in the Ardmore, Cynwyd, Merion and Narberth central offices in the Main Line district, and those reached through the Madison, Clearbrook, Boulevard, Hilltop and Sunset exchanges in the Upper Darby district. From time to time the service will be extended to other central offices, so that by next spring requests for information originating in Bryn Mawr, Wayne, Sharon Hill, Darby, Ridley Park, Media and Swarthmore also will be handled by the Hilltop bureau. Approximately 53,000 subscribers eventually will be served through the new information office.

The bureau is equipped with positions for fourteen operators, each of whom will have within reach directories containing telephone numbers in many toll and long-distance points in Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware, in addition to New York City and suburbs, Baltimore, Washington, Boston and Hartford.

When you do business with merchants in your own community you aid your community's contentment, good-will and prosperity.

Next Thursday, January 2, will see the inauguration of free house-to-house mail delivery in Haverford. Two carriers have been appointed who will make two daily deliveries throughout the section served by the Haverford Post Office. One delivery of parcel post will also be made daily.

This brings to a close an issue of nearly five years' standing which has proved to be one of the most agitated in the history of this Main Line community. While many Haverford residents prided themselves upon having the simple address, 'Haverford, Pa.,' others felt that the community had grown to sufficient proportions to warrant having mail delivery and were irked at the wasted time necessitated by going to the post office for their mail often in inclement weather.

Haverford's postmaster, George R. Fleming, looked favorably upon the idea and in 1927 sent out a notice requesting the putting up of mail boxes or the cutting of mail slots in doors. It was discovered later, however, that Government authority was necessary before free postal service could be inaugurated. This brought a lull in the proceedings.

Early in this year a citizens' committee got busy and several communications passed between it and the postmaster. Following a trip to Washington, Mr. Fleming reported to the attorney of the committee that the United States Post Office Department was "prepared to authorize the establishment of city delivery service in Haverford as soon as you (Postmaster Fleming) can report that all house numbers, street signs and mail receptacles are provided."

A petition was circulated by the committee signed by over two hundred householders, signifying their readiness to comply with the necessary conditions. Only thirty residents refused to sign this, according to the Executive Committee.

After conferences with John S. G. Dunne, superintendent of highways of Lower Merion Township, and A. C. Williams, engineer for Haverford Township, the committee was soon able to report that all street signs had been erected, houses numbered and mail receptacles provided. Announcements that mail delivery would commence the first of the year was made by Postmaster Fleming in November.

MRS. ANNIE M. CLEMENT

Mrs. Annie M. Clement, widow of Samuel M. Clement, former Sheriff of Philadelphia County, died on Friday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Samuel F. Irwin, 53 Merbrook Lane, Merion. She was 88 years old and had been ill several months.

Mrs. Clement is survived by two sons, John B. and George W. Clement, and three daughters. Two of her daughters married brothers, Samuel F. and Robert F. Irwin. The third daughter is Mrs. G. C. Ramsdell. Twenty-eight grandchildren and thirty-five great-grandchildren also survive her.

Funeral services were held on Monday at 11 A. M. at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Samuel F. Irwin, 53 Merbrook Lane, Merion. Interment was private.

England's poet-laureate has written a poem of 4000 lines. God save the king if he has to read it.

"Our Town" for 52 weeks—\$1.50.

Big Crowd Fills Every Seat at Community Service

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voted to the Narberth Baby Clinic, which is soon to be opened under the direction of the Board of Health, aided by an appropriation from Council and voluntary assistance from the Women's Club.

The costuming effects of the first tableau which showed the manger scene were unusually fine. Someone with a fine appreciation of blending colors into stage effects had planned them. The latter part of the program was the presentation of a dramatization of the old story, "Why the Chimes Rang." In this play, as in the tableau, unusually fine stage effects were obtained by the effective use of colors in costumes and also by the use of changing colored lights. As Holga, a peasant girl, Mrs. H. I. McConnell revealed a high degree of dramatic ability. Hers was the leading role in which she was ably supported by James Bailey, Frank Follmer, Mrs. Henry Van Dyke, Mrs. John Gilbert and by many others who played unnamed parts.

Anyone who has in previous years attempted to attend and participate in the "Community Tree" Christmas exercises down near the station, where passing trains and vehicular traffic seriously intrude upon the car, will heartily agree that a much better form of community Christmas observance was instituted in the theatre last Sunday evening, and will be anxious that that form of observance should become an annual event.

Lower Merions Wins First Suburban League Contest

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class, far, far above them. Captain Warren Lockwood, with the aid of John Pennypacker's fine pass work scored 23 points during the afternoon's pastime. The left-handed pair up under the basket certainly did a fine day's work. Pennypacker accounted for 14 points and John Turner, a centre, scored six markers.

Anderson allowed his substitutes to play the last seven minutes, and Henry Gane, the red-headed speedster from Bryn Mawr, immediately dropped in two field goals to show that the team had not been weakened any by his entry into the game. Keith Parks, blonde guard from the wilds of Narberth, took Mandes' place long enough to loop a twin-pointer in the ring from the centre of the court. That was Keith's first shot at the basket in a game this year. As he hasn't made a second one yet, we should call him 100 per cent. Keith.

Hughie Wynn and Seaver Rose both played bang-up ball for the local squad during the waning moments of the contest. Coach "Andy" certainly has some worthwhile reserves.

The team, as a whole, is beginning to run smoothly. The boys have made an effort to iron out any frictions that were present at the beginning of the campaign, and the results show that the effort was successful.

Alfred Mandes, co-captain with Warren Lockwood, and Alfred D'Amora are playing well at guard, and this Italian pair should develop into the finest defensive duo that the suburbs boast of. Turner is beginning to show real ability at centre, and if he can keep his confidence up where it belongs, he will be a star at the position. Two finer and more effective scoring stars than Warren Lockwood and John Pennypacker have not represented Lower Merion in all the years that the school has reared its stone walls along the Avenue Montgomery.

All in all, we look for some wonderful basketball at the high school this season, and if the luck plays with the boys another championship should be won before the Ides of March are upon us.

Local Talent to Grace Boards in Legion Show

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waiting to hear it again, and everybody else will want to speak at once to their nearest friend in the Legion for reserved seats. Oh yes—only one show each night, and the pasteboards which any Legionnaire will gladly sell you are exchangeable at the box office for any seats in the house—if you act in time.

Here is a chance to see friends and neighbors "in aciton" and get a kick out of a show with real local "color." The Legion has recently equipped its home with new furniture, and it would like to pay cash for as much of it as possible. Success in this venture will also be a fitting start on a banner year for Commander Art Cooke and his aides.

Of course "A Happy New Year" is wished for all, but the Legion is going

to do more than that. Give the boys a chance and they will show you something to laugh about all through 1930. See you there!

(By F. A. H.)

Last Call for Taxes

Today, tomorrow, Monday and Tuesday will be the last chance to pay Borough Taxes without the 5 per cent penalty which is added after January 1. The Tax Collector will keep office at the Narberth National Bank on these days from 8 A. M. to 3 P. M. to receive taxes. Properties will be leined for unpaid taxes after February 1, the Tax Collector, Edwin P. Dold, stated.

Tunney arrives from Europe and announces he won't fight any more. Why should a married guy be so careless with words?

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America is a country where an anti-freeze for the radiator is a serious problem, but any kind of alcohol is good enough to drink.

Main Line Facts

Residents of the Main Line are now so accustomed to excellent train service to and from Philadelphia that it is taken as a matter of course. In the '60s, however, it was different. There were six trains a day each way. If you missed the 6 o'clock from town in the evening, you sat around until midnight for the next one known as the "Emigrant."

Oil lamps provided illumination in the cars, and in cold weather they were heated by coal stoves—one in each end of the car. Brakemen stationed in each car helped stop the train by turning the wheel brakes such as are now seen only on freight cars.

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Yuletide Greetings from the MONTGOMERY BUS CO.



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Every year was once a New Year and each New Year is a year of opportunity. For us whose job is to serve you, it is an opportunity to better this service. During 1929 we replaced half of our equipment with new gas-electric buses and have endeavored at all times to make our service more

courteous, more efficient . . . We thank you for your patronage during the year that is past and hope that we may continue to meet your transportation needs, better than ever before, in 1930.

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